



LEARNING THE BIBLE

# Explorers

TOGETHER @ HOME

# The Good Shepherd



Today, we will be learning about a story that Jesus told in the gospel of John chapter 10 verses 1 to 21!

Why not set up a “sheep pen” in advance and read the story in there! Or could you collect some toys that could be sheep to go in the pen?

Introductory activity	Using the template for the sheep – create the coolest sheep possible!
Context	Sheep pens are places where sheep are protected from things that could hurt them, like wolves and other scary animals. In Bible times, sheep would stay in a place surrounded by rocks or wood. There would be one opening, like a door. Shepherds used to sleep in these openings and would guard the sheep with their own bodies. Brave!
Story time	Read John 10 verses 1-21, use the Children’s Bible attached or use the Biblegateway link: <a href="https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=john+10%3A1-21&amp;version=NIV">https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=john+10%3A1-21&amp;version=NIV</a> <i>Why not? When you hear the word 'Sheep,' I need you to say, 'Baaa.' When you hear the word 'Shepherd', I need you to cross your arms in front of your chest to make the sign of love.</i>
Question time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ What kind of animal does God say we are like sometimes? (<i>Sheep</i>)</li> <li>✓ What does a Shepherd do? (<i>He takes care of his sheep.</i>)</li> <li>✓ Who is our Good Shepherd? Who takes care of us? (<i>Jesus</i>)</li> <li>✓ Whose voice should we learn to listen to? (<i>The Good Shepherd or Jesus</i>)</li> <li>✓ How do we hear His voice? (<i>God’s word.</i>)</li> </ul>
Craft	Create a paper sheep! Be as creative as you like. Here are some examples: 
Memory verse	John 10 verse 11b “I am the good shepherd.”
Pray	Open prayer for anything that came up during study time or during the week

Remember to email or text finished craft to Aneta aneta@caterhambaptist.org.uk